

**TOWN OF GRANBY
CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION 2011
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 25, 2012**

PRESENT: Francis Brady, Chairman; Terri Ann Hahn Diane Hernsdorf, Annie Hornish, Lowell Johnson, Sheri Litchfield, Jim Lofink, Melissa Migliaccio, and David Russell

OTHERS PRESENT: Public was in attendance.

The meeting of the Charter Revision Commission 2011 was called to order by Chairman Francis Brady at 7:04 p.m.

PUBLIC

Peter Dinella of North Granby addressed the Commission regarding the annual town meeting budget procedure. He commented the town is not providing an equal opportunity to vote on the budget, giving an analogy of an union leader not being allowed to solicit votes from employees working perhaps second shift (which is not lawful). He believes the present method of voting is unfair. He would like to have an automatic referendum vote for the town budget.

Commissioner Hahn mentioned Mike Lynch requested her to relay a message to the Commission that automatic referendums vote for the budget and separation of the town and school budget be considered for a change in the Charter.

MINUTES

The Commission reviewed the meeting minutes of April 11, 2012.

ON A MOTION by Lowell Johnson, seconded by Sherri Litchfield, the Commission voted 8-0-1 to approve the meeting minutes of April 11, 2012 as presented. Commissioner Hahn abstained.

CONSIDERATION OF POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO CHARTER CHAPTER 3

The Commission held a discussion of a possible amendment to allow for the election of alternates to the Planning and Zoning Commission. The Commission's evolving consensus was to add the amendment to the Charter. It will be reflected in the working document "Address Significant Issues as to the Charter".

**ADDRESS SIGNIFICANT ISSUES AS TO THE CHARTER RAISED IN FEBRUARY 24, 2012
MEMORANDUM**

Highlights as to the document "Address Significant Issues as to the Charter" are incorporated in the minutes as an attachment for Chapters Four (4), Five (5), and Six (6).

CONTINUE DISCUSSION AND REVIEW OF 2002 CHARTER

Commissioner Lofink will research and develop a report on suggested wording for Section 10-5.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Commission reviewed the meeting schedule for May 9th and May 16th. Based on the members' availability, the meetings for May 9th and May 16th will stay in place and start at 7:00 p.m.

CONFIRM DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Charter Revision Commission 2011 next regular meeting is scheduled on May 9, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

ON A MOTION by Lowell Johnson, seconded by James Lofink, the Board voted unanimously (9-0-0) to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia I. Chieski
Recording Secretary